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NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS DATA, APRIL-OCTOBER 1953  
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LOCAL GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 23 Oct 53

The Wuhan People's Government has organized 39 offices employing 159 special cadres to supervise the work of financial and economic agencies of the government. An additional 880 "correspondents" were organized to check up the financial operations of these agencies. The inauguration of the so-called people's supervision of financial work began in December 1952.

INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE FEDERATION -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 24 Oct 53

All-China Industry and Commerce Federation was formally established on 23 October 1953.

Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 24 Oct 53

The Federation of Industry and Commerce during part of one year (1952-1953) set up the following branches: provincial level, 28; in cities under direct control of CPG, 14; in cities under direct control of provinces and special ch'us, and also at the hsien level, 1,913.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIALISM FAILS -- Hankow, Hupeh Jih-pao, 22 Apr 53

An experiment in complete agricultural socialism in Shih-tou-ho Ts'un which lasted for 2 months, was a failure.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS RESTRICTED -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 13 Oct 53

The Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications issued a directive on 10 October 1953 calling on all its agencies to cut down the use of telegrams, long-distance telephones, and special delivery letters. The directive, in line with the increase-production, practice-economy drive, also requested the agencies to limit their hiring of employees during 1953.

ECONOMY CAMPAIGN -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 9 Oct 53

The Peiping Federation of Industry and Commerce held a mass mobilization meeting to support the increase-production, practice-economy drive which was attended by 5,100 representatives.

Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 25 Oct 53

The Tientsin Municipal Domestic Trade Committee of the CCP and the Commerce Bureau of the Tientsin Municipal Government has selected about 20 cadres and organized seven investigation cells to assist the various enterprises in Tientsin in developing the increase-production, practice-economy drive. (Reported by News Team of Tientsin Commerce Bureau)

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Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 18 Oct 53

An intensive 15-day investigation of private merchants and industrialists in Nan-chang in September revealed that 28 percent of them were still engaged in practices condemned by the "Five Antis" movement.

SOVIET SPECIALISTS IN CHINA -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 18 Oct 53

Two Soviet harbor construction specialists Stakhov (Sha-t'u-k'o-fu) and Grishenko (Ke-li-shen-ku) attended a meeting in T'ang-ku on 17 October to commemorate the first anniversary of the opening of T'ang-ku's new harbor.

REPATRIATION OF JAPANESE FROM CHINA -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 31 Oct 53

Li Te-ch'uan, chairman of the Chinese Red Cross, announced the repatriation of 260,020 Japanese between March and October 1953. Li's announcement was made during the negotiation of the Sino-Japanese Trade Agreement between the League of Diet Members for the Promotion of Sino-Japanese Trade and the Chinese delegation representing the All-China Federation of Industry and Commerce.

SINO-JAPANESE RELATIONS -- Tientsin, Ta Kung Pao, 30 Oct 53

Kuo Mo-jo, chairman of the Culture and Education Committee, told Ikeda Masanosuke, chairman of the Diet Members League for the Promotion of Sino-Japanese Trade that Japan should have "self-defense" forces.

In his conversations with Masanosuke, Kuo contended that the Sino-Soviet Treaty of Friendship, Alliance, and Mutual Assistance was a peace pact whereas the US-Japanese Security Pact was designed for aggression.

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